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In the Claims

The following is a copy of Applicant's claims that identifies language being added with underlining ("____") and language being deleted with strikethrough ("___"), as is applicable:

1. - 3. (Canceled)

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4. (Currently Amended) An anterior cervical corpectomy plate, comprising:

a first plate member having a first mount and a first support member extending from said first mount;

a second plate member having a second mount and a second support member extending from said second mount;

a plurality of apertures disposed in said first mount and said second mount;

a stop-disposed on said first plate member;

wherein said first support member has a plurality of apertures positioned along a

length thereof, and said stop is operative to be inserted into a selected one of the

<u>apertures;</u>

wherein said first support member and said second support member are adapted

to engage each other in an axially adjustable manner, with said first support member

being sized and shaped such that at least a portion thereof is receivable within a channel

in said second support member, and said stop is adapted to limit such axial adjustment

by being mounted to said first support member and extending outwardly therefrom such

that, as said first support member is inserted into said channel in said second support

member and axially adjusted to draw said first mount and said second mount toward

each other, further axial adjustment of said first mount and said second mount toward

each other is prevented upon the stop contacting an end of said second support

member;

wherein the stop permits axial adjustment of said first mount and said second

mount away from each other.

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6. (Previously Presented) The anterior cervical corpectomy plate of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of screws adapted to engage said plurality of apertures, said screws being adapted to fix said first mount and said second mount each to a vertebral body.

7. (Previously Presented) The anterior cervical corpectomy plate of claim 1, further comprising means for fixing said first mount and said second mount each to a vertebral body.